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A Happy Gathering

The City Council Were in a Self-Congratulatory Mood Last Evening.

Business Proceeded With a Swing—Four By-Laws Finally Passed.

The members of the city council were happy last night. They showed it in the second expedition manner in which they disposed of the business before them.

W. W. Northcott, returning officer, reported the successful result of the polling on the question of by-laws submitted to the ratepayers yesterday.

The mayor congratulated the ratepayers on endorsing all the by-laws, which he eulogized as a progressive step.

quoting rates for plans, specifications and inspection.

It was first suggested that the communication be tabled, but Ald. Williams wanted it disposed of at once.

The mayor referred to the splendid standing of Mr. Waddell, who was an authority on bridge building, and advised that the communication be treated courteously.

W. Minton, secretary of the park committee of a Quebec municipality, thanked the park committee of Victoria for the present of two swans.

In this connection Ald. Hall expatiated on the importance of a park as a municipal asset.

R. S. Day and others of Rockland avenue petitioned for improved water facilities. The present service was wholly inadequate and irregular.

Ald. Yates moved that the communication be referred to the man who owns the water works for report.

A bundle of tenders for electric lighting was referred to the purchasing agent and electric lighting committee for report.

The standing committee on finance recommended the appropriation of \$5,246.85 for payment of accounts.

The city clerk reported that a number of communications had been referred to the city engineer during the week.

Activity on The Skeena

Many Steamers Arriving For the Fishing Season—Trouble on the Moana.

State of California May Be Added to the San Francisco Line.

Following close behind the Boscowitz, which arrived early in the morning, the steamer Tees came into port yesterday afternoon, having landed, as did the former steamer, nearly all her passengers at the Terminal City.

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Further particulars of the wreck of the Ketchikan wharf by the steamer Hating are contained in a letter from D. Smith Harris, of date June 18th.

An Associated Press letter from Honolulu under date of June 16th, says: "The British ship Senator, Captain Harrison, arrived at Hilo in distress on June 1st, after a narrow escape from going down in the open sea. She was lumber laden

and left Chemainus, B. C., on April 22nd. On May 13th, when she was 2,500 miles from Honolulu, she was found to be leaking rapidly.

MORE STEAMERS WANTED. The steamer State of California may be transferred from the northern coast to the San Francisco and Victoria route by the Pacific Coast Steamship company.

MARINE NOTES. Steamer Queen, which sailed for Alaska this morning, carried 1,000 tons of freight and 170 passengers.

Madame Camilla Urso Gave a Delightful Concert at the Victoria Theatre Last Evening.

Camilla Urso, one of the most capable exponent of the violin art living, has come and gone. She played in the Victoria theatre last evening, giving an exquisitely delightful concert before what would to many have been a painfully small audience.

Madame Urso has a supporting company, but two—Miss Helen Hall, vocalist of considerable ability, and Mrs. M. Sheldon Peirce, a brilliant pianist.

The programme given for last evening's event was artistically set, the music being so arranged that each successive number had its distinctive character.

The programme of the concert was as follows: Piano—Etude—Op. 25—No. 1, Chopin.

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All By-Laws Carried

Ratepayers Voted For Progress Yesterday, Endorsing Four Proposed Improvements.

Work Will Be Prosecuted as Soon as Possible—A Bright Outlook

Yesterday was a red letter day in the history of the corporation of Victoria. Four by-laws were endorsed in no mistakable manner by the ratepayers, and the work on the improvements provided for will be commenced and prosecuted as soon as possible.

Although great interest was manifested in the by-laws throughout, there was little excitement, however, as it was generally conceded that the Bridge, Mod Flats, Government Street Paving By-Laws, would pass easily.

Two hundred and eighty-two thousand dollars expended in improvements in this city in one season! That is the meaning of the passage of the four by-laws yesterday.

In regard to the Government street paving, the by-law provides for a loan of \$100,000 on Government street, contiguous to that part on which the improvement will be carried out.

The supporters of each by-law went out bright and early yesterday morning. Hacks and other vehicles were engaged, and many a ratepayer enjoyed a free ride to the polling station.

Counting commenced at 4 o'clock, and at intervals the Times posted bulletins announcing the progress of the count.

At 7 o'clock the final results were announced, and the official bulletin posted up at the city hall by the returning officer, W. W. Northcott.

Table showing election results for various wards: Government Street Paving, Central Ward, South Ward, North Ward, etc.

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Advertisement for Iver Johnson Bicycles. Includes an illustration of a bicycle and text promoting the brand's reliability and performance.

Advertisement for B. C. Cycle & Supply Co. and F. R. Stewart & Co. Wholesale Fruit and Provision Merchants.

Advertisement for West Dental Parlors. A Revelation in Dentistry. After to-day (May 29th), I will do Prosthetic Dental Work at the following fees.

